

HB 5521

To Public Health Committee:

I am a doctoral level psychologist in CT and I oppose the proposed licensure of masters level people as "psychologists." In CT & nationally, psychologists have doctorates. Licensing masters level people with the same title will cause public confusion about training and skills and also harms all the psychologists who worked so hard to earn doctorates. In CT a person with a masters degree can be a licensed professional counselor, a term that already causes confusion. Masters level people could be school psychologists—they work only in schools & are under the dept of education.

Please vote to keep the term "psychologist" only for those who earned a doctorate.

Thank you.

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